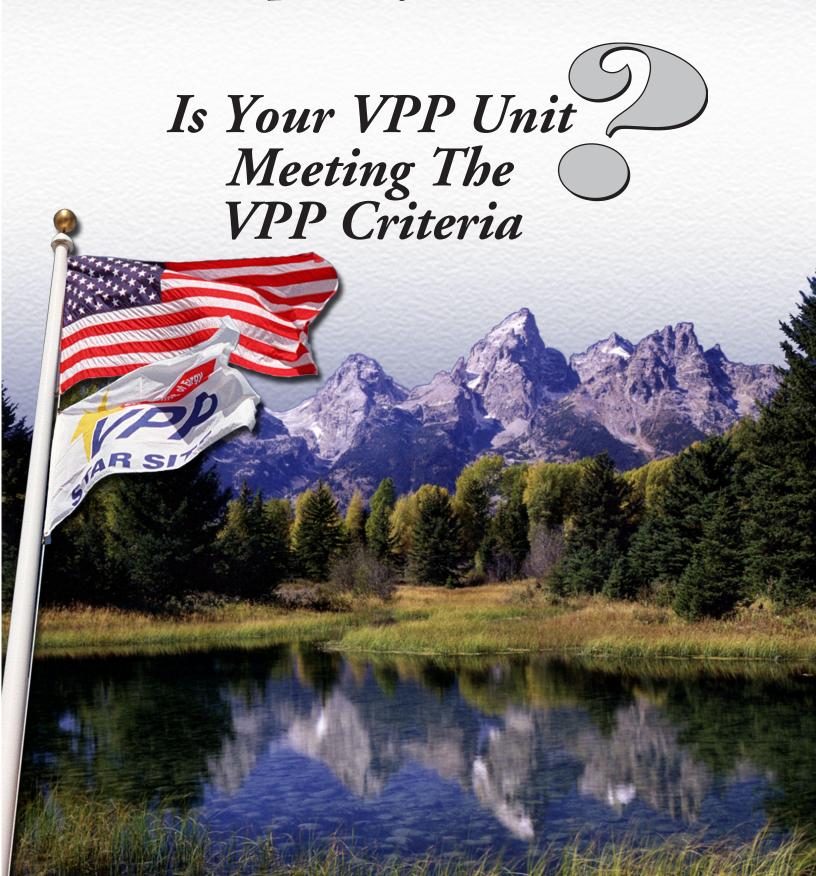
# Voluntary Protection Program Gap Analysis Booklet



#### What?

The following tool is to be used to determine opportunities for improvement in meeting the VPP criteria. In conjunction with your Unit Management Champion, use the results to develop action plans that will aid you in becoming Star ready in 4-5 months. Track your actions in your monthly Employee Safety Team meeting minutes.

## Why?

The VPP Path Forward states that a VPP gap analysis will be conducted during the month of April. This will be a self evaluation performed by the respective Unit management champions and the Unit Employee Safety Team members.

## Any questions when using this tool?

Contact the VPP Program Coordinator at 526-0388 or user ID: bwh.



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#### Management Leadership

Implementation of Criteria

	Meets	Does Not Meet	Partially
Unit safety and health goals and objectives are published and communicated			
Employees have a safety and health personal action plan (Form 331.07 or Form 331.07A for foremen and above)			
Employees can explain 'Stop Work Authority'			
Employees are familiar with the 'Discipline Policy'			
Employees have access to the written Safety and Health program (Manuals 14A and B)			
Employees can generally explain the Safety Policy, VPP Vision and Value Statement			
Employees understand and are willing to use 'open door policy'			
Managers/supervisors conduct periodic walkabouts of their area (visibility).			
Managers/supervisors ensure safety inspections are performed and employees participate in those inspections			
Line management periodically attends Unit Employee Safety Team meetings			
Management provides the time and resources for members of the employee safety team to fulfill their roles			
Managers provide positive reinforcement for safe work practices			
Staff meetings begin with a Safety Share			
EST meeting minutes, inspection results & corrective actions are communicated to affected employees			
Management communicates with employees regularly on any safety issues, closed, pending or otherwise. Employees are aware of the status of issues in ICARE.			
Management uses positional and personal power to promote the VPP Safety Culture with his/her folks			
Employees participate in the analysis of job hazard (i.e., work package, JSA's, pre- and post-job briefings, walkdowns, etc.)			
Management is aware of the results and corrective actions of the annual S&H program evaluation (November)			
Safety & health performance is a consideration of all sub-contractors before they come onsite			
Unit VPP homepage is maintained with current information			
Unit VPP documentation file is established and maintained			
Managers/supervisors are cognizant of and mitigate the hazards within their area of responsibility			

Comments		

#### Employee Involvement

Implementation of Criteria

	Meets	Does Not Meet	Partially
Employees can explain the hazards associated with their jobs and how to protect themselves and others.			
Employees have a training plan and their training is up to date			
Employees are cognizant of their Employee Safety Team representative			
Employees are cognizant of how to access the employee safety team minutes (company and unit level)			
Employees are utilizing tools of behavioral based safety (i.e., WASP observations, DO ITs, one-on-one feedback, etc.)			
Employees attend 12 safety meetings each year			
Employees perform to their S&H personal action plans (Form 331.07)			
Employees can give examples of positive recognition for safety contributions			
Employees are familiar with the Safety Concerns process and are willing to use it as necessary			
Employees are allowed the opportunity to participate in safety awareness events (i.e., safety recognition week, community safety events, etc.)			
Workers participated in hazard analysis and mitigation (i.e., pre / post job briefings, job walkdowns, etc.)			
EST members participate in area inspections			
EST members participate in injury/illness investigations/analysis			
EST is fully staffed and functioning with sub-teams			
EST has current charter and documented minutes			

Comments

#### Worksite Analysis

	Implementation of Criteria
Employees are provided the opportunity and participate in safety reviews, i.e., design packages, work packages, procurements, procedures, experiments, new projects, etc.	Meets Does Not Meet Partially
Employees are provided the opportunity and contribute to routine safety analysis, i.e., JSA's, exposure assessments, safe work permits, confined space permits, pre-job planning, etc.	
Employees and Employee Safety Teams participate in workplace inspections (MCP-3449, Safety & Health Inspections). Inspections are performed monthly, with the entire Unit addressed quarterly.	
Industrial Hygiene/Industrial Safety hazards are identified and inventoried (safety professional comprehensive surveys)	
Employee Safety Team members are included in some manner with injury/illness investigations	
ICARE is utilized as the tracking system per MCP-598	
Employees understand how to report a safety concern and do use the process as appropriate	
Unit specific corrective actions from the annual VPP Safety & Health Evaluation are tracked (workgroup tasks) to completion	
PPE (personal protective equipment) is provided to employees as required	
Employees utilize the process (MCP-598) for reporting safety concerns	
EST uses trending data to develop safety goals and objectives	

Comments		

#### Hazard Prevention and Control

Implementation of Criteria

	Meets Does Not Meet Partially
Employees/management have ready access to safety professionals	
The means of eliminating or controlling hazards is addressed in the following order: 1. substitution 2. engineering control 3. administrative controls and 4. PPE	
Preventative maintenance activities are scheduled and the backlog for safety related items is minimal	
Office/operational workstations have been evaluated and upgraded to minimize and/or eliminate ergonomic hazards	
Ergonomic considerations are given to tools, equipment and work areas	
Safety related procedures are reviewed and updated as needed	
Employees are familiar with unit safety and health trending data	
Employees are familiar with the emergency actions for the area	
Safety and Health Training	
Managers/supervisors attend safety training sessions as provided	
Employees can explain the hazards in their workplace and how they are mitigated	
Employees know how to respond in an emergency	
Employees are provided and attending safety meetings (12/year)	
Employees have training plans and training is up to date and tracked in TRAIN	
New, transferred employees receive facility orientation (New Employee Orientation form is being used)	



